

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 29 Jan 2021 until 23:59 on Saturday 30 Jan 2021

Forecast Issued on Friday 29 Jan 2021 at 04:23 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Medium for detail on Friday, high over the weekend and Monday, low by Tuesday.

Headline for Friday 29 Jan 2021: Blizzard conditions easing during the afternoon and clearing to isolated showers in the evening. Fresh to strong NE winds

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 29 Jan 2021

Blizzards

High Likelihood

Gales

Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms

No Likelihood

Heavy Snow

High Likelihood

Severe chill effect

High Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain

No Likelihood

Storm force winds

No Likelihood

Poor visibility

High Likelihood

Strong sunlight

No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
					
Heavy snow	Light snow	Light snow	Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
90%	90%	70%	40%	20%	10%

Forecast for Friday 29 Jan 2021

Weather: Cloudy with snow, with heavy falls this morning and some blizzard conditions. Largest falls likely over the eastern Cairngorms up to Strathdon and the Lecht and to an extent the Monadhliaths, less over Ben Alder and Loch Rannoch. Becoming lighter and more occasional in afternoon and clearing in evening, though more scattered snow showers will continue in the northeast.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Little chance, until evening

Visibility: Widely poor or very poor in falling and blowing snow, with cloud bases not discernible, then improving in the evening.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)				Wind Direction (blowing from)		
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	34/42 E	31/38 NE	26/34 NE	22/28 NE	22/29 NE	22/28 NE	22/30 NE
900	24/29 NE	25/30 NE	23/29 NE	18/23 NE	18/23 NE	17/22 NE	18/23 NE
600	16/20 NE	16/22 NE	15/21 NE	11/16 NE	10/15 NE	10/14 NE	9/14 NE
300	8/19 NE	9/19 NE	9/18 NE	7/15 NE	5/12 NE	4/12 NE	4/11 E
Glen	5/18 NE	5/19 NE	5/16 NE	4/14 NE	3/11 N	2/9 N	2/9 NE

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-6/-16	-6/-16	-6/-16	-7/-16	-8/-18	-8/-18	-9/-18
900	-3/-11	-3/-11	-4/-12	-4/-11	-5/-12	-5/-13	-6/-13
600	-1/-7	-1/-8	-2/-8	-2/-7	-3/-8	-3/-8	-4/-9
300	-0/-4	-0/-4	0/-4	0/-3	-2/-5	-2/-5	-3/-6
Glen	-0/-4	0/-4	0/-3	1/-2	-1/-4	-2/-4	-3/-5
Freezing Level*	300m	300m	300m	300m	100m	100m	00m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Severe winter conditions. Access roads may be blocked.

Forecast for Saturday 30 Jan 2021

Weather: Mainly dry with sunny or clear spells. A few light snow showers in Strathdon.

Maximum wind: Easterly 30 gusts 40mph easing later. Bitterly cold on the tops.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: High just the odd patch of cloud near snow showers.

Visibility: Good with snow showers too light to have much effect.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 7 overnight and evening rising to zero by day

At 800m: Minus 6 Celsius

Freezing level: All levels